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SUBJ: DISMISSAL OF KEY MINISTRIES OF CONSTRUCTION AND FOREIGN TRADE
OFFICIALS
REF: BUCHAREST 8601

1. IN REFTTEL, WE REPORTED SUSPENSION FROM THEIR DUTIES OF
MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION VASILE BUMBACEA, DEPUTY
INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION MINISTER CONSTANTIN IONESCU, AND
DEPUTY FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER ION FLORESCU. DECEMBER 24 ISSUE
OF SCINTEIA CARRIED POLITICAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT WHICH
CONTAINED POLEXCO'S DECISION TO REMOVE THESE OFFICIALS FROM
THEIR POSITIONS, FOLLOWING POLEXCO'S REVIEW OF REPORT ON
ACTIVITIES OF THESE THREE MINISTERS PREPARED BY SPECIAL PARTY
COMMISSION. (REPORT ON PRESIDENTIAL DECREE OFFICIALLY REMOVING
THESE OFFICIALS FROM THEIR FUNCTIONS APPEARED IN SCINTEIA OF
DECEMBER 25.L

2. COMMENT: ONE RUMOR CIRCULATING AMONG WESTERN DIPLOMATS
IS THAT BUMBACEA, IONESCU AND FLORESCU HAD BEEN ORIGINALLY
SUSPENDED FOR THEIR NEGLIGENCE IN ALLOWING GROUP OF
ROMANIAN WORKERS TO STAY ON IN LIBYA FOR COUPLE OF WEEKS
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AFTER COMPLETING WORK ON AN INDUSTRIAL PROJECT. ALTHOUGH
SOME CREDENCE MAY BE ATTACHED TO THIS STORY BECAUSE OF FACT
THAT FLORESCU HAD BEEN RESPONSIBLE
FOR TRADE RELATIONS WITH
AFRICA, WE ARE MORE INCLINED TO SPECULATE THAT THE THREE
WERE INVOLVED IN PROFITEERING ON CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS
FOLLOWING MARCH EARTHQUAKE. THEIR DISMISSAL IN SUCH PUBLIC

FASHION AS OCCURRED, THEREFORE, SERVES AS OBJECT LESSON
TO OTHER BUREAUCRATS, WHILE IT ALSO SHOWS POPULACE THAT EVEN
HIGH-LEVEL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS SHOULD BE MODELS OF FINANCIAL
PROBITY.
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